

Department for Aging and Disability Services

# Overview of FMS Provider Requirements

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# Required Policies and Procedures

- FMS providers are required to have comprehensive policies and procedures, as detailed in the manual, include, but are not limited to:
  - Policies and procedures for billing Medicaid, in accordance with approved rages, for services authorized on the ISP/POC;
  - Policies and procedures for billing FMS administrative fees

- Policies and procedures to receive and disburse Medicaid funds, track disbursements, and provide reports, including, but no limited to:
  - Reports to participants for billing/disbursements on their behalf
  - Reports to the State of Kansas, as requested
- Policies and procedures to ensure proper/appropriate background checks are conducted on all individuals (FMS providers and DSWs) in accordance with program requirements; and

- Policies and procedures to ensure participants follow the pay rate reimbursement limits when setting DSWs' pay rates;
  - Clear identification of how this will occur
  - Prohibition of wage/benefit setting by FMS provider; and
  - Prohibition of "recruitment" of self-direct individuals (HCBS waiver participant and/or DSW Staff) by enticements or promises of better wages and/or benefits through improper use of Medicaid funds.

- Policies and procedures to ensure proper/appropriate processing of time worked, disbursing of pay checks, filing of taxes, and other associated responsibilities
- Policies and procedures regarding the provision of I&A services
- Policies and procedures regarding a backup plan and efforts to develop implement, and test an adequate backup plan that ensures records are preserved and fiscal functions are replicated in case of a natural disaster or state f emergency

- Policies and procedures to ensure correct disbursement of pay to DSWs including identifying, reporting, and mitigating potential fraud, waste and abuse
- Policies and procedures fro reporting cases of abuse, neglect and exploitation to and fraud, waste, and abuse to the state
- Policies and procedures about grievances designed to ensure DSWs can address relevant issues, such as hours paid differing from hours worked, untimely pay checks, bounced pay checks, other FMS-related issues

# Information & Assistance

- Provide information, including independent resources
- Assistance in option development to expand consumer knowledge
- Assistance with arranging for, directing, and managing services.
- Practical Skills Training
  - Recruit
  - Hire
  - Effective Communication & Problem–Solving

#### I & A Duties

- Overlap information provided by MCO Care Coordinator or Targeted Case Management
- No involvement in service plan development
- Use "Self-Direction Tool Kit" resource

#### 1 & A

- Information & Assistance Examples:
  - Person Centered Planning
  - Consumer Choice and Options
  - Plan of Care Changes
  - Appeals and Grievance
  - Risks and Responsibilities
  - Provider Choice
  - Reassessment

#### I & A Resources

- Education information/materials
  - Medicaid programs
  - Participant-direction
  - Service provider requirements
  - Employer/Employee Agreements
  - Authenticare System
  - Abuse, Neglect, Exploitation

# Employer-Related I & A

- Ensure participant understand responsibilities
  - Role as employer
  - Explanation of FMS Service Agreement
  - Wage Establishment
  - Provider Selection
  - Human Resources and Payroll Documentation Completion
  - Employment Verification
  - Employment Service Agreement

#### I & A Assistance

- Assistance with:
  - Service goals, needs, and resources definition
  - Identify and access services and supports
  - Practical Management Skills Training
  - Recognize and report critical events
  - Risk Management Agreements

# I & A Referrals

- MCO Care Coordinator/ Target Case Management
- KanCare Ombudsman
- State Agencies
- Assessing Entities
- Community Supports
- Support Groups

# Roles and Responsibilities

- FMS is Fiscal Employer Agent (FE/A)
  - Administrative tasks
  - Information and assistance (IA)

# **Participant Direction**

- Assure the direct service worker accurately and consistently uses the AuthentiCare system
- Assist consumer with receiving initial/ongoing employer related training, to assist participants with independently directing and managing workers
- Assist consumer with understanding of process for reporting work related injuries incurred by direct service worker to the FMS provider

# **Participant Direction**

- Assist consumer with understanding that a dismissal of a direct service worker must be reported to FMS within 3 working days
- Assist consumer with understanding that changes in address telephone number or hospitalization of direct service worker should be reported to FMS within 3 working days

# FMS Roles and Responsibilities

- Assisting consumer with obtaining Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN)
- Consult with consumer to set the wage for the direct service worker
  - FMS provider will assist consumer with understanding of how to set wage
  - Consumer will be responsible for determining wage for the direct service worker

# FMS Roles and Responsibilities

- Processing termination paperwork when the consumer chooses to no longer employ direct service worker
- Collect assigned consumer's portion of the client obligation from the consumer
  - May not utilize Medicaid dollars to cover the client's obligation
  - FMS provider will notify the MCO within 30 days of unpaid client obligation

# FMS Administrative Role

- FMS provider will be responsible for administrative functions including...
  - Verification/processing of time worked
  - Preparation/disbursement of direct service worker payroll
  - Establish FMS employer agreements
  - Receive/disburse Medicaid funds
  - Ensure proper/appropriate background checks are conducted on all individuals in accordance with program requirements/state policy
  - Ensure the participants follow the pay rate procedures as established by the state of Kansas when setting direct service workers' pay rate

# **FMS Administrative Role**

- Payroll processing
  - Process and distribute direct service workers' payroll
  - Withhold all required state, federal, and local taxes
- Broker worker's compensation insurance for consumers in accordance with Kansas worker compensation insurance law

# Questions?

#### FMS Manual:

http://www.aging.ks.gov/HCBSProvider/Documents/2015\_04\_10\_6-5\_FMS\_Manual.pdf

#### • Q&A:

http://www.aging.ks.gov/HCBSProvider/Documents/s/FINAL\_FMS\_Clarification\_Memo\_%201\_14\_15.pdf

#### FAQ:

http://www.aging.ks.gov/PolicyInfo\_and\_Regs/PIs/ DraftPolicies/KDADS\_FMS\_Manual\_QA\_04-17-15.pdf

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